

Message Text

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 01 NEW DE 09170 101054Z

20

ACTION NEA-16

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 OMB-01 IO-14 CIAE-00 DODE-00 NSAE-00

NSCE-00 SSO-00 USIE-00 INRE-00 PM-07 H-03 INR-10 L-03

NSC-07 PA-04 RSC-01 PRS-01 SP-03 SS-20 DRC-01 /092 W

----- 066974

O 101305Z JUL 74

FM AMEMBASSY NEW DELHI

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 2590

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE NEW DELHI 9170

NEA PLEASE PASS TO AMBASSADOR MOYNIHAN

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PINT, IN

SUBJ: SIKKIM DEVELOPMENTS

1. FOR THE PAST TWO DAYS, ALL THIRTY-TWO MEMBERS OF THE SIKKIM ASSEMBLY HAVE BEEN IN NEW DELHI CALLING ON TOP GOI OFFICIALS, INCLUDING THE PRIME MINISTER, SENIOR CABINET MINISTERS, THE PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT.

2. ON JULY 10, THE LEGISLATORS CALLED ON MRS. GANDHI, WHO IS WIDELY REPORTED IN THIS MORNING'S PRESS AS ASSURING THEM THAT SIKKIM'S "INDIVIDUALITY" WILL BE PRESERVED; THAT INDIA HAS WELCOMED THE UNFOLDING OF THE "NEW GREAT EXPERIMENT" OF DEMOCRACY IN SIKKIM, WHICH HAS RESULTED FROM THE REALIZATION AMONG SIKKIM'S PEOPLE THAT THE KINGDOM CANNOT LIVE IN ISOLATION OF THE "WINDS OF CHANGE" IN THE OUTSIDE WORLD; THAT IT IS NOW FOR THE LEADERS AND PEOPLE OF SIKKIM TO VISUALIZE WHAT KIND OF SIKKIM THEY WANT; AND THAT INDIA'S "SYMPATHY", "COOPERATION" AND "GOOD NEIGHBORLINESS" WILL BE OFFERED TO SIKKIM IN ITS DEVELOPMENT EFFORTS.

3. SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF THE LEGISLATORS, CHIEF MINISTER

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 02 NEW DE 09170 101054Z

DORJI IS QUOTED IN THE PRESS AS COMMENTING THAT THE

"IMMEDIATE" PROBLEM FACING SIKKIM WILL BE TO DRAFT A NEW CONSTITUTION. THIS INDICATION THAT A NEW OR REVISED CONSTITUTION MAY BE IN THE OFFING - WITH INDIAN ACQUIESCENCE - IS ALSO HINTED AT IN THE PRESS REPORTS ON THE MEETING WITH SWARAN SINGH, WHO IS QUOTED AS ASSURING THE LEGISLATORS THAT INDIA WILL ASSIST SIKKIM IN IMPLEMENTING THE "GOVERNMENT OF SIKKIM BILL", WHICH HAS BEEN WIDELY REFERRED TO AS THE "CONSTITUTION BILL" HERETOFORE.
SCHNEIDER

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: DEMOCRACY, FOREIGN RELATIONS, SOVEREIGNTY, CENTRAL LEGISLATURE
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 10 JUL 1974
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: martinml
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1974NEWDE09170
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D740183-0403
From: NEW DELHI
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1974/newtext/t19740761/aaaacakm.tel
Line Count: 70
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION NEA
Original Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: n/a
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: martinml
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 16 AUG 2002
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <16-Aug-2002 by izenbei0>; APPROVED <19 FEB 2003 by martinml>
Review Markings:

Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
30 JUN 2005

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: SIKKIM DEVELOPMENTS
TAGS: PINT, IN, SK
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005